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In re Appln. of: Douglas Charles Myers et al.  
 Appln. No.: 10/692,969  
 Filed: October 24, 2003  
 For: WHEELEND ASSEMBLY WITH  
 DETACHABLE OUTBOARD JOINT  
 Attorney Docket No: 10541-1898

Examiner: William C. Joyce  
 Group Art Unit 3682

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- ☒ Reply Under 37 C.F.R. 1.111 (14 pgs.)  
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Respectfully submitted,

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**REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111**

In response to the Office Action mailed June 28, 2006, Applicants respectfully submit this paper comprising the following parts:

- I. **Amendments to the Specification**, beginning on page 2;
- II. **Listing of Claims**, beginning on page 3;
- III. **Remarks**, beginning on page 7.

Applicants note that the Transmittal to which this paper is attached includes a Certificate under 37 C.F.R. §1.8; and a fee statement calculating any fee(s) presently due in connection with the filing of this paper, along with an authorization to charge any fee deficiency to the deposit account of Applicants' assignee, Visteon Global Technologies, Inc., Deposit Account No. 06-1500.